

What is claimed is:

- 1     1. A tensioner arm (60) comprising:
  - 2             a plurality of sections (62, 64, 66) with each section conjoined together via a link
  - 3             (68);
  - 4             each of the plurality of sections (62, 64, 66) having a partial upper side (12i) which
  - 5             forms, in part, an upper side, all of the partial upper side (12i) of the plurality of
  - 6             sections (62, 64, 66) together form the upper side of the tensioner arm.
- 1     2. The tensioner arm of claim 1 further comprising a link disposed to link two adjacent
- 2             sections of the plurality of sections (62, 64, 66) together.
- 1     3. The tensioner arm of claim 2, wherein the link comprises a pin (69) disposed to pass
- 2             through annular openings of adjacent sections.
- 1     4. The tensioner arm of claim 3, wherein the link comprises an elastic member (280)
- 2             associated with the pin (69) to maintain shape and compliance with use.
- 1     5. The tensioner arm of claim 1, wherein the plurality of sections (62, 64, 66) consists of a
- 2             first end section (62).
- 1     6. The tensioner arm of claim 1, wherein the plurality of sections (62, 64, 66)
- 2             consists of a second end section (64).